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SUBJECT: POPULATION TRAINING AT EAST-WEST CENTER

1. MISSION HAS RECEIVED ANNOUNCEMENT OF SIXTH SUMMER SEMINAR IN POPULATION TO BE HELD AT EAST-WEST CENTER, HAWAII, JUNE 16 TO JULY 12, 1975, PLUS FOLLOW-UP WEEK IN SEOUL. ANNOUNCEMENT INDICATES ATTENDANCE AT SEMINAR, AND IN APPROPRIATE CASES INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL, IS FUNDED BY EAST-WEST CENTER.

2. IN VIEW OF GRADUALLY INCREASING BURMESE INTEREST IN POPULATION PROBLEMS, WE BELIEVE THERE IS A FAIR CHANCE GUB MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN SENDING A PARTICIPANT, AND WOULD LIKE TO MAKE INFORMAL SOUNDINGS AS TO WHETHER THIS WOULD BE THE CASE. HOWEVER, AS DEPT AWARE, GUB REGULATIONS REQUIRE THAT SUCH OPPORTUNITIES BE OFFERED DIRECT TO GOVERNMENT, WHICH SELECTS PARTICIPANT ITSELF, RATHER THAN BY INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS SUCH AS EAST-WEST CENTER ENVISAGES. OUR EXPERIENCE AND THAT OF OTHER AID DONORS IS THAT MOST GUB-DESIGNATED TRAINEES ARE WELL QUALIFIED.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT'S ASCERTAINING FROM EAST-WEST CENTER WHETHER IT WOULD BE WILLING GUARANTEE ACCEPTANCE OF A BURMESE PARTICIPANT IF ONE IS DESIGNATED BY GUB, AND TO PROVIDE GRANT COVERING INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL.

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